

Conemaugh, Pa.

In answer to a call from the first Brethren church of Altoona, Pa., we began a revival meeting on Jan. 23, 1900, in their church located on the corner of Maple Ave. and Thirtieth St., and closed on Feb. 22, 1900, with a baptismal service.

During the meeting thirty precious souls made the good confession. Eighteen have been baptized, two yet to be baptized, one reclaimed, six by relation and letter, and three who are not likely to join the Brethren church. Two good mothers who could not attend the meeting said that just as soon as it was so that they could, fully intended to unite with the church. There were others who were almost persuaded.

We closed with a good interest and a full house. Taking all things into consideration, bad weather, sickness, etc., we feel that it was a grand victory for the Master.

Much personal work was done by all concerned in the meeting. House to house work counts, without it the results are generally meager. I congratulate the pastor, brother W. L. Spanogle, on having members of this type who are not afraid and who are willing to go into private houses and talk religion and in this way get people interested and go out to church services.

It was a meeting not to be soon forgotten, first, because of the blessings in seeing souls born into the kingdom; second, because of the many new acquaintances we made; third, because of the kindness and hospitality shown toward me while there. The church is greatly strengthened numerically and spiritually.

As an evidence of it the church increased the pastor's salary and he is going to locate in their midst. So we may expect great things from the Altoona church in the future. I am now at home ready to commence hostilities on the kingdom of sin here. May God abundantly bless all such assaults to His glory and to the salvation of precious souls.

J. F. KOONTZ.

Indiana and Michigan Items

Closed a meeting of seventeen days duration Feb. 21, at the Chapel church. Visible result, two additions by baptism and two more applicants for baptism. Interest in church increasing, Sunday school expanding, prospects good for future. May God in his wisdom be with us in our work here. While here brother Peter Pontius preached for me at the Corinth church.

NEW TROY, MICH.

At our last visit to this church a snow storm prevented a normal attendance, yet we held two of our three regular services. Here is a small church which for zeal and devotion is not surpassed. A certain ministerial brother remarked to me, had the church at such a place the same zeal they would sweep the community.

WM. H. MILLER.

N. Manchester, Ind.

Literary Notes

"The return of the Business Woman," by Edward Bok, "The Anecdotal Side of Mr. Beecher," "College Girls' Larks and Pranks," "The Modern Son and Daughter," "Where the Founder of the Kindergarten was Born" are among the notable features of the March Ladies' Home Journal. "The Autobiography of a Girl," "The Theatre and Its People" and "The Parson's Butterfly" are continued, and "Edith and I in Paris" and "Her Boston Experiences" are concluded. Howard Chandler Christy contributes the first of his American Girl series of drawings, showing her at church, and A. B. Frost humorously pictures "The Country Store as a Social Centre." An Easter solo and an anthem are timely; and the numerous articles on fashions in woman's wear will be a useful guide just at this time. This is but a hasty glance between the covers of the March Journal. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

Many questions as to the use and workings of foreign missionary boards are answered by Secretary Arthur J. Brown in an article on "Missionary Administration" in *The Missionary Review of the World* for March. Dr. Brown shows clearly the necessity of having our great societies with their secretaries and machinery. The duties of the various officers are described, and the cost of administration is given. Dr. Pierson, the editor-in-chief, contributes an article on "D. L. Moody as an Educator." It is illustrated with photographs of the schools and conventions which he inaugurated. Some novel experiences of a missionary who crossed the border from China into "The Forbidden Land of Tibet" are told by Rev. Wm. M. Upcraft, and are illustrated from unique photographs. Dr. Gracey gives interesting and not generally known facts in an article on "Modern Missionary Beginnings of Eliot, Carey, and Mills." "The Outlook for Africa" by Bishop Penwick and "The Horizon in Japan" are two timely discussions of the crisis in those countries. Among other valuable contributions are papers by Pedro Valderrama on "Protestant Christians of Mexico;" by Robert E. Speer on the "British Student Volunteer Convention;" by Rev. Geo. Lester on "Cuba Under Spain and Under the United States;" "Christian Missions in Our New Possessions;" and "Child-life in the Slums" by Maud Ballington Booth. The General Intelligence Department is up to date, and filled with recent news from every mission field in the world—both at home and abroad.

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The American Soldier in the Philippines

A notable article—at once an appreciation and a vivid, stirring picture of our boys in the field—has been written exclusively for *The Saturday Evening Post* (of Philadelphia) by Senator Albert J. Beveridge.

Senator Beveridge writes as forcefully and as brilliantly as he speaks. A keen observer, with the faculty of grasping the thing of vital and human interest, what he has to say will interest every American.

This great article, the first and only one that Senator Beveridge has written for any magazine or periodical since his return from the Philippines, appears exclusively in the March 17th number of *The Saturday Evening Post*.

We are under obligation to *The Homiletic Review* for March for a comprehensive summary of "The Century's Progress in Biblical Knowledge," by Prof. Benj. B. Warfield, D. D., LL. D., of Princeton Theological Seminary. Dr. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, London, follows with a breezy discussion of "Effective Preaching: Present Day Elements;" and Principal Cave, of Hackney College, London, with a striking treatment of "The Living Christ: A Word to all Preachers;" Prof. Francis R. Beattie, of Louisville, with a loving estimate of his former colleague, "The Late Prof. T. D. Wither-

spoon as a Preacher;" while Rev. Robert George of Cleveland, Ohio, writes of "The Church for the Modern City."

In the Sermonic Section, Dr. Alex. McLaren preaches to us from Manchester, England, on "God and His Saints;" Dr. Paton J. Gloag, from Edinburgh, on "Resuscitation for the Memory;" Dr. D. C. Kelley, from Nashville, Tenn., on "Men as Conductors of Divine Light and Power;" Principal Fairbairn, from Cambridge, England, on "The Individual Life of Jesus;" Dr. W. S. Danley, from Owensboro, Ky., on "All Things for Good;" Dr. W. Ziethe, from Berlin, Germany, on "What the Passion of Christ Signifies for Us." There is rich Lenten and Easter matter from the German. There is also the usual great variety of illustrative homiletic material.

Many will read with special profit Dr. William Love's article on "The Illustrative Value of New Testament Greek to the Minister of the Gospel;" Dr. Gregory's paper on "John Ruskin as a Study for Preachers;" Dr. Stuckenberg's "Religious and Social Thought and Movement at the Close of the Nineteenth Century;" and Rev. Mr. Ross's "The Living Hymnist of English Puritanism." Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Co., 30 Lafayette Place, New York. \$3.00 per year.

Our Dead

HARKLEROAD.—In the Cowenshanock congregation, Armstrong Co., Pa., brother Martin Harkleroad departed this life February 18, 1900, aged 61 years, 4 months and 26 days. Our dear brother suffered much during his illness, gave good counsel and admonitions to his dear family and others in regard to their duties to God, and for their welfare in the eternal world. At the closing up of life's journey he fell peacefully asleep. During his illness he was "anointed in the name of the Lord." He frequently stated that all was well with him spiritually and that he realized that he was accepted of God. Memorial services by the writer. Bible reading Eccle 12 chap. Text 1 Thes. 4: 18.

J. B. WAMPLER.

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There is no holiness if thou, Lord, withdraw thy presence; no wisdom profiteth if thy spirit cease to direct; no strength avail-eth without thy support; no chastity is safe without thy protection; no watchfulness effectual when thy holy vigilance is not on guard.—*Thomas a Kempis.*

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